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Transmittal Letter

Dear Sir:

Please find enclosed a U.S. patent application as follows:

- 1) This Transmittal Letter;
- 2) Application (249 total sheets, of which: Specification (incl. cover sheet) (195 sheets); Claims (5 sheets); Abstract (1 sheet); Drawings (48 sheets));
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